

Prayer Page

Thanksgiving

- Confirmation student examination
- Bonnie Breiholz - recovered after surgery
- Kim Neuhaus - recovering at home after surgery

Entrusting into God's Care

- Ellen (relative of Karl Hoech) - hospice care
- Persecuted Christians and refugees
- Those suffering after storms and during the pandemic
- Peace in Europe and throughout the world
- Project 24 students, Yvonne and Lorine

Healing

- Margaret (relative of Karl Hoech) - recovering after fall
- Karen Schmidt - upcoming surgery 5/1
- Colton Keldgord - upcoming surgery 5/5
- Dave Johnson - recovering after surgery
- Stephen Stepanek - brain cancer treatment
- Mickie Sjullie - recovering after broken ankle
- Janelle Dunbar - recovering after surgery
- Doug Knutson - immunotherapy treatment
- Bonnie Bubke - personal issues
- Chuck Stoelting - recovering at Garnet Place
- Rick Foreman - recovering at home after fall
- Deb Heitland - health issues
- Ethel Doehrmann - cancer treatment
- Abi Clark - health issues

Homebound

- Darlene Eckert - at home

Mourning, friends and family of

- Aiden (cousin of Kierra Penney) - died 4/16
- Michele (sister of Melissa Loney) - died 4/10
- Don (father of Angie Pfeil) - died 4/8

Serving Our Country

- Ben (son of Kroemers) - serving IA National Guard
- Devin (friend of Kroemers) - serving IA Army National Guard
- Mitchell & Benjamin (relatives of Schoens & Smiths) - US Navy
- Harrison (son of Siecks) - US Army, deployed to Poland

Chancel Flowers are given by Philip and Lorelei Hackbardt in thanksgiving for God's blessings of 53 years of marriage.

Servants of Worship

	Sunday, April 30	Sunday, May 7
Elder	Phil Hedtke	Mark Elias
Usher (8:30)	Randy Schmith	Wade Ramsey, Ed Schumacher
Usher (11)	Greg Dunn	Dick & Karen Hass
Greeter (8:30)	Joy the Comfort Dog	Lorna Fischer & Cherie Miller
Greeter (11)	Joy the Comfort Dog	Rick & Erin Heller
Lector (8:30)	Rick Thorington	Mark Elias
Lector (11)	Karen Swanson	Sheryl Knutson
Video (8:30)	Mitch Myers	Greg Dunn
Video (11)	Mike Diers, Charles Clark	Doug Knutson
Sound (8:30)	Nicholas Williams	Ken Cook
Sound (11)	Darin Elm	Phil Hedtke
Acolyte (8:30)	Tristan Bond	Elder
Acolyte (11)	Landon Oja	Elder
Nursery (11)	Rebecca Ballstaedt & Carolyn Zimmerman	Annie & Robby Russman
Coffee	Kirkpatricks	

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April 30, 2023
Good Shepherd Sunday
8:30 Service

Living and Sharing God's Love

Order of Service

Divine Service Setting I (pg. 151)

Musical Prelude	
Ringing of the Bells	
Welcome and Announcements	
Opening Hymn	
<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	LSB #770
Confession and Absolution	LSB pg. 151
Psalm	Psalm 23
Kyrie	LSB pg. 152
Hymn of Praise	LSB pg. 155
Salutation and Collect of the Day	LSB pg. 156
First Reading	Acts 2:42-47
Epistle Reading	I Peter 2:19-25
Alleluia and Verse	LSB pg. 156
Holy Gospel	John 10:1-10
Children's Message	
Hymn of the Day	
<i>The King of Love My Shepherd Is</i>	LSB #709
Sermon	
Athanasian Creed	
Prayers of the Church	
Lord's Prayer	
Luther's Morning Prayer	
Benediction	LSB pg. 166
Closing Hymn	
<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	LSB #525
Musical Postlude	

Notes and Announcements

Food Pantry Spring Cleaning Challenge - Thank you to everyone who participated in the April "Spring Cleaning Challenge" by donating cleaning products for Bethany Lutheran Food Pantry. The challenge continues next month with a twist: The **Food Pantry Challenge in May is a "Paper-Palooza Drive."** Help fill the pantry shelves with paper products! Please donate paper towels, toilet paper, facial tissues and 13-gallon garbage bags by May 28.

Confirmation - The public examination of confirmation students takes place today at 9:45 a.m. The rite of confirmation will take place next Sunday, May 7 during the 11:00 a.m. service.

Pastor Erickson is currently leading a **Bible study** examining "A Chaste and Decent Life: An Update to 'Human Sexuality' 1981." This document has been published by our synod this year as an update of its first writing on human sexuality in 1981. While perceptions of human sexuality may change, God's design for it does not. This document and our study will equip Christians to speak of Christ into the darkness of today's culture where so many are falling into confusion and hopelessness. All adults are encouraged to attend this study **Sundays at 9:45-10:45 a.m. Today is public examination, so this study will resume next Sunday.**

Each Sunday we need **volunteers in the food pantry.** If you would like to serve, please sign up at bethanycr.org/food-pantry.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the **American Red Cross Blood Drive** at Bethany on Thursday.

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca needs counselors! Do you know a young adult who would be a good fit? Have them visit campiodiseca.org or contact Alec at 319-848-4187 or programdirector@iodiseca.org.

Stewardship Note - 1 Peter 2:21 – *"For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps."* Our heavenly Father wants us to grow into the image of His Son and to follow in His steps. Jesus suffered for us not only to redeem us, but also to show us what love looks like and to leave us an example of self-giving, sacrificial generosity. "Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure."

Our Calendar This Week

Today	8:30 am Divine Service (Traditional)
	9:45 am Sunday School
	9:45 am Public Examination of Confirmands
	11:00 am Divine Service (Contemporary)
	12:15 pm Board of Education Meeting
	1:00 pm Food Pantry Open
Monday	6:00 am Coffee Outreach
	10:00 am Women's Small Group
	1:30 pm LWML Board Meeting
	6:00 pm Trustees Meeting
	6:00 pm Stewardship Meeting
Tuesday	9:00 am Walking for Exercise
	6:00 pm Evangelism Meeting
	6:30 pm Handbells Practice
Wednesday	6:00 am Men's Bible Study
	6:00 pm Confirmation Class
	6:00 pm High School Youth
	6:30 pm Vocal Choir
Thursday	9:00 am Adult Bible Study
	9:00 am Walking for Exercise
	6:00 pm Human Care Meeting
	7:00 pm Christian Faith Class
Saturday	9:00 am Holy Yoga
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Notes

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.